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TAGS: ENRG, LY, FR

SUBJ: FRENCH DEMARCHE ON LIBYAN OIL NATIONALIZATION

REF: PARIS 25602

1. AT SOCIAL OCCASION OCTOBER 1, I MENTIONED TO FRENCH CHARGE JEANTELOT THAT I HAD HEARD FROM PARIS ABOUT HIS MFA'S INSTRUCTIONS FOR A DEMARCHE (REFTEL). JEANTELOT SAID "DEMARCHE" WAS TOO STRONG A WORD. BACKGROUND WAS AS FOLLOWS: TWO WEEKS AGO AMB GEORGY HAD A TALK WITH PRIMIN JALLUD THAT TOUCHED ON OIL NATIONALIZATIONS AS WELL AS JALLUD'S PLANNED TRIP TO PARIS THIS MONTH. JALLUD HAD EMPHASIZED LARG'S SOVEREIGN RIGHTS TO TAKE SUCH ACTIONS, WHEREAS GEORGY HAD ARGUED THAT IN FRENCH EXPERIENCE THE ISSUE WAS NOT ONE OF SOVEREIGN RIGHTS BUT AGREED COMPENSATION. MFA'S INSTRUCTION NOW ARE TO FOLLOW UP ON THAT INFORMAL CONVERSATION BY EMPHASIZING THE NEED BOTH FOR PROPER COMPENSATION AND
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FOR CONTINUING TALKS WITH THE OIL COMPANIES TO ACHIEVE

THAT END.

2. AS IT HAPPENED, HOWEVER, JEANTELLOT CONTINUED, THE INSTRUCTIONS ARRIVED HERE SEPT 27 AFTER GEORGY HAD LEFT LIBYA FOR A MONTH'S LEAVE; MOREOVER, JALLUD LEFT FOR CAIRO NEXT DAY. SO NO "DEMARCHE" WAS MADE, NOR WILL BE UNTIL JALLUD RETURNS TO TRIPOLI. MEANWHILE, JEANTELLOT NOTED, THE LARG HAS AT LEAST APPOINTED THE COMMITTEES NECESSARY TO DETERMINE COMPENSATION (TRIPOLI 1259 BEING REPEATED TO BONN AND PARIS).

3. CALL ATTENTION TO JALLUD'S REPORTED STATEMENTS IN CAIRO (FBIS M012017) IN THIS GENERAL CONNECTION. JOSIF

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